

- (iv) **Newhru Rozgar Yojana (NRY)** which provides self and wage-employment in urban areas.

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Special Employment Programme for Rural Unemployed. However, no new programme for poverty alleviation is being chalked out.

- (c) Does not arise.

Press Club Trivandrum

6666. **SHRI. THAYILJOHNANJALOSE:** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any decision on the proposal for financial assistance to the development of Trivandrum Press Club in Keraia ; and

- (b) if so the details thereof;

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (**KUMARIGIRJAVYAS**):

(a) & (b) A request for financial assistance for the development of the Journalism institute attached to the Press Club, Trivandrum has been received in the Ministry. The Press Club has been asked to send to the Ministry a formal application alongwith relevant information/ documents spelling out purpose of utilisation in accordance with the rules.

Consumer Protection Forums

6667. **SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:** Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the Consumers Protection Act, 1986, it is the liability and respon-

sibility of the respective State Government / Union Territory Administrations for setting up the Consumers Protection Councils, Consumers Disputes Commission (State Level) and Consumers Disputes Forums (District Level), and

(b) if so, the details of the Consumer Protection Councils, Consumers Disputes Commission and Consumers Redressal Forums set up in Delhi and addresses of the same wherefrom they are functioning as on date and the type of cases/grievances sorted out so far and those pending as on July, 1991 with each of them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (**SHRI. KAMALUDDIN AHMED**): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Delhi Administration has set up the Delhi Consumer Protection Council on 9.10.1987 consisting of 72 members. So far its 7 meetings have been held.

The Delhi State Commission has started functioning with effect from 1.11.1989 from Room No.2-3, Old Civil Supplies Building, Tis Hazari Courts Complex, Delhi. Upto July 1991, 279 appeals and 338 cases were filed in the State Commission, out of which 276 appeals and 197 cases respectively have been disposed of.

The Delhi District Forum I is functioning with effect from 6.10.1988 from Room No. 158, 1st Floor, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi. Upto July, 1991, 5522 cases were filed in the District Forum, out of which 3431 cases have been disposed of. The second District Forum has been set up in Delhi on 30.8.1991 which is expected to start functioning from ISBT Complex.

The State Commission and District Forum are entertaining written complaints regarding defective goods, deficient serv-

ices and unfair trade practices which cause loss or damage, made by consumers, registered voluntary consumer organisations etc.

Petro-Chemical Industries in Kerala

6668. SHRI. KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up some Petro-Chemical Industries by utilising the products from Cochin Refineries Limited;

(b) if so, the details of the down-stream industries so proposed;

(c) the places in the country where such industries are proposed to be set up particularly in Kerala, and

(d) when these are proposed to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS: (DR. CHINTA MOHAN) : (a) to (d). Proposals that were recently received from public sector undertaking for setting up/ expanding petrochemical industries by utilising the products from Cochin Refineries Ltd. are:-

(1) M/s. Balmer Lawrie and Company Ltd. are setting up a 5000 TPA Polybutene plant at Cochin at an approximate cost of Rs.18.46 crores.

(2) M/s. Balmer Lawrie and Company has also applied for issue of licence for the

manufacture of propylene Trimer/Tetramer at Cochin.

(3) A proposal has also been received from Cochin refineries Ltd. for expansion of benzene production capacity from 87,200 MT per annum to above 2,10,000 MTA at an estimated cost of Rs.291.3 crores.

Decision on these proposals are taken on Techno-economic considerations, availability of Plan Funds and investment approval.

[Translation]

Beneficiaries Under I.R.D.P.

6669. SHRI. RAM TAHAL CH- OUDHARY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the number of beneficiaries living in tribal and drought prone areas who get fifty per cent subsidy from Government under Integrated Rural Development Programme in 1990-91. State-wise, and also in Ranchi district in Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL) : Under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) only Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes were entitled for 50% subsidy during 1990-91, irrespective whether they lived in tribal or Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP) or any other area.

A statement showing the number of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled tribe beneficiaries state-wise and in Ranchi district is attached.